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Art Unit	2817
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AMENDMENT

SIR:

This RCE is responsive to the final Office Action dated February 21, 2002, in connection with the above-referenced patent application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Applicants have further amended independent claims 1 and 8 as shown in the accompanying marked-up version. Below is a clean version of all the claims with their status.

1. (Fourth Time Amended) A filter arrangement which comprises a substrate
(1) on which are provided a bandpass filter and a notch filter, which filters are coupled to one another, wherein both the bandpass filter and the notch filter are thin-film filters, and the notch filter does not generate a passband.
2. (Original) A filter arrangement as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the